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PETITION TO DEFER ISSUANCE OF PATENT APPLICATION UNDER C.F.R § 1.314

Sir:

Applicant hereby respectfully petitions for deferral of the issuance of the application referenced above as a patent to allow time for the Examiner to consider the currently pending Rule 312 Amendment that is filed herewith. The Rule 312 Amendment corrects typographical errors and ensures consistency between the drawings and the specification. This petition is made to allow sufficient time for the Examiner to consider the pending Rule 312 Amendment.

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Based on the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that applicant has shown good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary to defer issuance of the patent as requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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